ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A portable audio listening apparatus includes, for example, a portable audio playback apparatus serving as a portable transmission apparatus and a headphone serving as a portable receiving apparatus. The portable audio playback apparatus has an electrode at its side. The headphone includes an ear pad made from an electrically conductive material and an electric-circuit unit. The ear pad serves as an electrode and is connected to the electric-circuit unit by wiring. The electric-circuit unit includes a signal processing circuit and a battery. When the user wears the portable audio playback apparatus and the headphone, a transmission path is formed through the body of the user. A signal reproduced by the portable audio playback apparatus is sent through the body of the user and the ear pad to the electric-circuit unit of the headphone.